Point of Order regarding Presentation of petition.

Mr. C. V. Kuriyan.—Under Standing Order 60, I beg leave of the President to present a petition to the Council signed by 700 signatories, relating to the Kuries Bill under consideration. Under the Standing Order I am permitted to speak, in brief, about the material allegations alleged in the petition. The objection relates to the Kuries Bill, section (4).

Mr. A. B. Salem.—On a point of order, Sir. The Hon'ble Member will not be in order to bring this matter up till the matter is taken into consideration, under Standing Order 60 (i) (a).

President.—The petition relates to the Kuri Bill. You can present it afterwards.

Cutchi Memon Succession Bill.

President.—Mr. Seethi's motion.

Mr. K. Mohammed Seethi.—Sir, I beg to move that the Cutchi Memons' Succession Bill be taken up and passed.

Mr. A. K. Kunhi Moideen.—I beg to second it.

Question proposed "*that the Cutchi Memon Succession Bill be taken up and passed*".

Motion put and agreed to.

Cochin Kuries Bill.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—In presenting the report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Cochin Kuries Bill, I have to make a few observations. This Bill was introduced in the Meenam Session of 1104 and it was referred to a Select Committee which submitted its report early in 1105. It was a unanimous report and when it was presented to the Council, notice was given of a large number of amendments and the Bill was again re-committed to a Select Committee in Medam 1105, with the addition of two more members. All these amendments are tabulated in the present report as *Appendix A* and the Committee has considered all these amendments and the conclusions of the Committee and the reasons thereof are given in *Appendix A*, of the report and the Bill as amended is printed as *Appendix B* to the second report of the Committee. We are unanimous upon almost all the provisions except with regard to the conduct of lotteries. That is the only point upon which there is some difference of opinion. In the Bill which I introduced there was no provision at all with regard to lotteries started before the coming into force of the regulation. On the motion of the Member for Trippunittura in the Select Committee some additional provisions, which will affect these past transactions, were also introduced and it is that, which has now given rise to the difference of opinion. So far

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